

The San Antonio Light.

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Gifford, Johnson & Winter,
PROPRIETORS.

PUBLISHED DAILY (EXCEPT SUNDAY) AT
110 EAST COMMERCE STREET.

DELIVERED BY CARRIERS THROUGHOUT THE CITY
AT 10 CENTS PER WEEK, PAYABLE TO OUR
AGENT. Single copies for sale by newsboys at
5 CENTS.

Subscription Year, \$5 in Advance.

ADVERTISING RATES.

ONE PRICE—NO DEVIATION.

1 inch 1 week \$1.00 1 inch 2 months \$1.50

1 inch 3 months \$2.00 1 inch 4 months \$2.50

1 inch 5 months \$3.00 1 inch 6 months \$3.50

1 inch 7 months \$4.00 1 inch 8 months \$4.50

1 inch 9 months \$5.00 1 inch 10 months \$5.50

1 inch 11 months \$6.00 1 inch 12 months \$6.50

Any given number of columns at a special rate.

5 columns 1 inch 1 week \$10.00

5 columns 1 inch 2 months \$15.00

5 columns 1 inch 3 months \$20.00

5 columns 1 inch 4 months \$25.00

5 columns 1 inch 5 months \$30.00

5 columns 1 inch 6 months \$35.00

5 columns 1 inch 7 months \$40.00

5 columns 1 inch 8 months \$45.00

5 columns 1 inch 9 months \$50.00

5 columns 1 inch 10 months \$55.00

5 columns 1 inch 11 months \$60.00

5 columns 1 inch 12 months \$65.00

One square, 4 lines, \$1 for 24 insertions.

For each subsequent insertion.

Special notice next to reading matter \$1.00

per square, each insertion. Right time or less.

and square.

Reading matter, local notices, 20 cents per

line first insertion and 5 cents after first week.

For month or longer at a special rate.

Advertisements curtailing the term for which

they have contracted, will pay regular rates for

the time during which their advertisement

remains in the paper.

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS, \$1.00 per line

for first insertion, 50 cents for each subsequent

insertion. For each subsequent insertion.

THIRTIETHS SALES, \$1.00 per inch for each

subsequent insertion. Trustees' sales ordered

for weekly charged same as legal advertise-

ments.

HOUSE ADVERTISING, payable on first of each

month. Transient advertising payable in ad-

vance. Only metal type permitted, for which an

extra charge of 50 per cent. is made.

THOMAS B. JOHNSON is duly authorized to

collect for THE SAN ANTONIO LIGHT.

Subscribers not receiving their paper will

please make complaint to him or at the office.

Subscribers are warned not to pay their

subscription except upon presentation of a

properly receipted bill from this office.

THOMAS B. JOHNSON,

Business Manager.

Entered at postoffice at San Antonio, Texas,

as second-class matter.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1883.

GALVESTON is experiencing a little ice

famine just at the present time.

THE scientific men of New York are busily

engaged just now in trying to prove that

Jumbo is not an elephant, but a representative

of the supposed extinct mammoth or mastodon.

A COMMISSION has been appointed by the

President to investigate the American big-

game. The Chicago Times hopes that

really excellent animal will pull down his vest,

wipe off his chin and make himself as

respectable as possible.

A MOHAMMEDAN, Joe Miller, envious of

the distinction gained by Wiggins, Venable,

and the other star givers, has come to the

front with a prediction that the world will

come to an end with the close of the Moham-

medan 13th century, on November 3.

THE LIGHT is not, strictly speaking, a

religious daily, but the attention of our

readers is called to the sermon to be found

elsewhere under the head of "Moral Topic

Setting," which was delivered before the St.

Louis Prayers' union, last Sunday. It is well

worth a perusal.

THE record of stock made by "Jay-Eye-

Ser" at Providence, R. I., on Saturday last,

is the fastest time ever made by a five year

old, and is considered the most remarkable in

the annals of the turf. He is owned by J. L.

Care, of Racine, Wisconsin, who says

\$50,000 would not buy him.

EX-GOVERNOR BLACKBURN, of Kentucky,

in defense of his exercise of the pardoning

power, says that when he entered office he

found the State penitentiary a miserable hole

of filth, a fit place for disease, pestilence, and

death. There were, he said, over 300 miser-

able human beings immured two and two in

cells three feet nine inches wide, six feet three

institute struck him as peculiarly character-
istic of the country, he replied: "The American
girl. As a product indigenous to the
United States she stands out in full relief, and
in a more-colored light. In Paris I have many
friends, among the American residents, and
have found the study of feminine character an
extremely interesting one. Why, I have seen
American girls of 15 or 20 years look gravely
into one's eyes and emanate opinions of their
own on most important matters. And they
really say very original things sometimes, and
have original ideas. As a class, they are
bright, witty, sparkling, and they know how
to take care of themselves." When asked if
French girls were not the same he said:
"Not at all. Our girls rely everything to
their mamma. If they have original ideas
they consider it annually to express them,
or if they say anything outside the limits of
polite small-talk, it is preferred or excused by:
'So my mother says,' or, 'Mamma has told me
that.'"

The Pittsburg Leader, in answer to a ques-
tion of why it did not have a "Woman's De-
partment" in that paper, says it won't pay,
and gives a practical reason for it in the fol-
lowing: "Those who have tried Women's
departments in newspapers have not found them
to pay. The idea that a column or two of
women talk would increase one's subscrip-
tion list greatly is a plausible one, and it
has occurred to a great many enter-
prising publishers who would like their paper
with that or any other kind of matter if it
would pay. They have tried it, and they
found it not worth running money into. The
subscription list did not increase when they
commenced the women's columns, and did not
fall off when they dropped it. Most new-
papers have dropped it, and no more think
now of publishing a woman's department
than a man's department. The fact that there
is no successful woman's rights paper in the
land is better than a volume, as a commentary
on the indifference of women to exclusive
women's reading. The only really success-
ful woman's paper in this country is Harper's
Bazar, and that is so principally because of its
tasteful illustrations and discussions concern-
ing dress. We are not defending this state of
things, dear Mademoiselle, but merely stating
the facts as they seem to be; and trying to explain
why, as the Leader is not a missionary in the
woman's rights cause, but simply a newspaper,
it will not devote space to anything that
people do not care much to read."

The Honey Grove Independent recounts a
tradition in the following: "In the year of
1836, when the western limit of civilization
was marked by a small settlement near where
the city of Paris now stands, Davy Crockett
started with a company of men to reach the
Texas army at San Antonio by this western
route. This locality was then an unknown
wilderness of grass, the home of the Indian
and the buffalo. Reaching this place a day
after leaving the settlement, Crockett and his
men pitched their camp in the grove now a
little north of the public square of the town.
In the grove was a spring of fine water, about
which the company spread their blankets and
built their fires. They remained in this camp
for several days in consultation, being divided
in opinion whether or not it were best to pur-
sue this route through the wilderness or re-
turn and travel by a more certain route.
While in camp here they discovered an un-
usual number of trees containing swarms of
bees with honey. On this honey and the
visions with which the camp was easily sup-
plied the party feasted as long as they re-
mained in this camp. Some of the party
sawing the danger of this route had already re-
turned to the settlement, and Crockett and
only a few men left, who were compelled to abandon
the expedition in this direction, but turned
south to the old trail from Newburgh to
Clarksville and went on reaching San An-
tonio at last in time to offer up his life for the
history of Texas at the historic Alamo."

It LOOKS very much like a scheme—that
resolution introduced into the Council by
Alderman Lockwood, declaring the San An-
tonio river, San Pedro creek and the ditches
as part of the system of drainage and sewerage
of the city. These ditches have been in use
for about a century and have done quite well
in supplying a large portion of the city with
water that averaged in the way of cleanliness
and purity with that which comes from the
hydrants and, during all that time, they have
been easily kept from being defiled, and no
unusual complaint had been made against
them. While there is no question but what
the river and creek are the recipients for
much that is refuse matter, yet, in a measure,
the ditches belong to individuals, so far
as they have improved them; and it has
always been conceded that property
on or contiguous to the ditches has com-
manded a higher price than that away
from them, and owners of such property have
in almost every case spent considerable sums
of money in building walls and otherwise fix-
ing them up. It has been only a few days
since the statement was made that the
wells of the city were contaminated, which
statement, followed by this attempt to defile
the ditches, looks very much like a scheme for
the benefit of the water works. The city
needs a system of drainage, but it is not yet
time to abolish improvements and conveni-
ences in order to accommodate a select few
who are interested only to the extent of their
private gains. The resolution has been re-
ferred to the Board of Health, and that body
will be wiser than wise if they delay action in
the matter until they get the sentiment of the
public generally on the question.

Notice to Parties in Proclamation.
All persons interested in and desiring to
witness the trial in the Volstead proceed-
ings on October 3, must advise the undersigned
committee on or before the date herein set forth
when they can not be notified.
H. J. MERRILL,
M. L. LINDEN.

Important to Men.
Having opened a first-class barber shop oppo-
site the Palace, in Summers & Callaghan's
old stand, where I intend to employ only first-
class barbers, I take pleasure in telling all my
friends and old customers to call and see me,
and I guarantee satisfaction.
J. B. LINDEN.

Try Facecream.

If you want a well-shaven face, and a first-class barber, call on

BARGAINS OFFERED

By J. W. Hendley, Land Agent.

New rock house, with 10 rooms, on two large
lots, with well, and a large lot, with well, and a
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